(a) the number of foreign tourists who come to India every year;

(b) the amount received in form of foreign currency from them and amount being incurred on the tourism facilities and on the work of development of tourism separately out of it;

(c) the ratio on percentage of income from tourism and expenses on the development work of tourism;

(d) whether there is sufficient arrangement for the security of tourists coming to India; and

(e) the details of these security arrangements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) to (c) The number of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) and Foreign Exchange Earnings (FEE) from tourism in India during 2005, 2006 and 2007 are given below:-

Year	FTAs (million)	FEE (US$ million)
2005	3.92	7493
2006	4.45	8634
2007	5.08	10729

Development of tourism in the country is undertaken by various agencies such as the State Governments, Ministry of Tourism and private sector organizations, etc. The expenditure incurred by Ministry of Tourism for various tourism development activities during the years 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 was Rs.800.27 crore, Rs.834.32 crore and Rs.990.51 crore respectively.

(d) and (e) 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India. As such, the security of tourists is the primary responsibility of State Governments/Union Territory Administrations. However, in order to ensure safety and security of tourists, the Ministry of Tourism has advised all the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations to deploy Tourist Police in the States/UTs. The State Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Goa, Kerala, Maharashtra, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu and Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Punjab, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa have deployed Tourist Police in one form of the other.

Tourism potential in Rajasthan

2469. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:
SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the vast and varied tourism potential of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the places/units which have been identified for being developed as potential tourists spots during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;

(d) whether any integrated planning has been done for development of these places;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) the total allocation proposed to be made on these places; and

(g) whether any proposals from Rajasthan are pending with Centre?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI): (a) to (f) The Government is aware of the tourism potential of Rajasthan. However, identification, promotion and development of tourist places in the country is the responsibility of the concerned State Government. The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends Central Financial Assistance under the Product/Infrastructure Development of Destination and Circuits scheme, to project proposals received from the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations which are complete in all respects as per the scheme guidelines and *inter-se* seniority subject to availability of funds.

In the Eleventh Plan till date, Central Financial Assistance has been sanctioned to the following infrastructure projects of Rajasthan.

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.No.	Name of the Project	Amount
	2007-08	
1.	Flood-lighting of Monument in Rajasthan	800.00
2.	Destination Development of Shekhawati	754.46
	2008-09	
1.	Development of Udaipur	241.37
2.	Conservation and Rstoration of Bala Qila and Kankwari Fort Alwar.	480.61

(g) No proposal under the extant Schemes is pending with the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India.

Effect of global economic recession on tourism

†2470. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the current global economic recession has also affected the tourism industry in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last year;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.